

DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I (we) hereby declare that my (our) residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my (our) name; I (we) believe that I am (we are) the original, first and sole inventor(s) (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention (Design, if applicable) entitled: BACKBOARD BAR WITH ADJUSTING CLOSURE

the specification of which (check one): ☐ is attached hereto; ☐ was filed on _____ as application serial No. _____ and was amended on (or amended through) _____ (if applicable); ☒ was filed on October 6, 2004 as International Application (PCT) No. PCT/CA2004/001801 and amended on _____ (if applicable). I (we) hereby state that I (we) have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) referred to above. I (we) acknowledge the duty to disclose information known by me (us) to be material to the patentability of my (our) invention in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a). I (we) hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application which priority is claimed.

I (We) hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application(s)

Priority Claimed

<u>2,443,020</u>	<u>Canada</u>	<u>06 October 2003</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed)	YES	NO
 			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed)	YES	NO

I (we) hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code § 112, I (we) acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior art application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

(Appl. No.)	(Filing date)	(Status – Patented, Pending or Abandoned)
-------------	---------------	---

(Appl. No.)	(Filing date)	(Status – Patented, Pending or Abandoned)
-------------	---------------	---

I (we) hereby declare that all statements made herein of my (our) own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

POWER OF ATTORNEY: I (we) hereby appoint the attorneys associated with the following customer number, to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

Send correspondence to:

DARBY & DARBY
805 Third Avenue
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10022-7513
U.S.A.

Direct telephone call to:
(212) 527-7700

Customer number:
07278



Full name of First or Sole Inventor Marcel BIBEAU	Citizenship Canadian
Residence Address-Street 4581, Castle D'Autray, C.P. 280	Post Office Address-Street 4581, Castle D'Autray, C.P. 280
City St-Félix-de-Valois	City St-Félix-de-Valois
State or Country Zip Canada, J0K 2M0	State or Country Zip Canada, J0K 2M0
Date 31/03/06	Signature